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Dear Andrew;
It was good to talk today. After we talked, I met with neighbors about the gate proposal. They have several requests similar to those I told you about in a Sept. 8, 2022 email.

1) Neighbors want to make sure the gate has a substantial view hole, something on the order of a 2 foot-by-2-foot opening, so they can see whether the dumpsters and compactor are being properly used. The fact is that it's neighbors' complaints that have kept trash/garbage problems from getting any more out of hand than they have. They don't want to gate masking the problem.
2) Neighbors want assurances the gate will be located at the back of the entrance alley to the dumpster area and that the gate doors will swing inward so they do not block the main alley and do not make it harder for trucks to back up to the dumpster area.
3) Neighbors want assurances the gate will be unlocked during pickup times so they don't add another impediment to regular trash collection.

Please let me know in advance of Monday's ANC meeting that you and your client will be able to accommodate the neighbors on these matters. As an aside, it would help your case if you could get Pete to push his staff to keep the dumpsters fully closed. When I was just over at the alley, one dumpster was wide open and a second was overfowing with trash bags. I'll send photos.

Best,

Peter Gosselin
Commissioner – District 6
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